

6 October 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 6 October 1980

The Director chaired the meeting. []

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The Director related that the briefings of Presidential candidates Reagan and Anderson over the weekend went well, noted both candidates had good questions, and doubted that we would be called upon to brief again prior to election. []

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The Director noted an NFIB meeting is scheduled for tomorrow to review requirements related to the Iran/Iraq situation; advised that he and the Deputies would [] discuss the McBer group's findings; and that unless the Iran/Iraq situation dictated otherwise, he planned to take off for a week or ten days and arrangements are being made for him to read his usual morning material at his residence. In response to Clarke's query, the Director advised that it is up to the DDCI and Clarke to determine if the Director is to review and approve the PDB while on leave. []

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The Director spoke of the importance of focusing on what we should be doing in terms of reporting on the Iran/Iraq situation; suggested that we examine the Iraqi notion that they have slowed down offensive operations because they do not wish to commit Shia infantry; the need to continually examine Iranian capabilities to reinforce their tactical units; and the economic impact on Iran of any reduction in shipping staples. Mr. Carlucci noted high interest downtown in European attitudes. []

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The Director noted to Clarke the need to develop think pieces on the ability of both parties of the Iran/Iraq conflict to sustain hostilities and isolate their respective alternatives. (Action: DD/NFA) []

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McMahon briefly noted the following:

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--Advised that the Egyptians are publicizing their assistance to Afghan insurgents in order to avoid any label of being lackeys of the U.S. growing out of U.S. shipments arriving there destined for Afghan rebels. [REDACTED]

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--Observed that the Judge in the Humphrey case has ordered that we provide documents for his review. Silver confirmed and said he thought they were due today and could be sanitized. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said that in connection with an on-going effort to examine alternatives in the Iran/Iraq situation that attention is being given to the possibilities [REDACTED]

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Fitzwater reported that we entered the new year [REDACTED] under ceiling. He then listed several records set during the past year; namely, a 28 percent increase in minority hiring, a 26 percent increase in the hiring of professional women, over [REDACTED] vacancy notices issued, and [REDACTED] clericals brought on board in September. He also urged those in attendance to support the Combined Federal Campaign. [REDACTED]

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Hetu noted that at the last moment we were advised that Presidential candidate Anderson wished to have the press accompany him to the Headquarters compound area for Sunday's briefing and asked Wortman to thank those in Security and others who made the necessary arrangements. [REDACTED]

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Hitz called attention to the Congressional Electoral Projection contained in this week's Legislative Highlights Book and suggested that if time permits the Director and others read the article in today's Wall Street Journal on Senator Warren Magnuson's situation. []

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Silver said that he and Hitz had met with Justice officials and White House Counsel Cutler and others on 3 October on the Identities Bill and Justice is of the opinion that no compromise is warranted. []

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Silver noted Judge Bryan's protective order in the Halperin case and that we are taking the position that no expert testimony on classification is possible by a nongovernmental official. []

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Silver highlighted the Biographical Registry case in which the Court of Appeals desired the FOIA privacy exemption. Silver said there is still a sources and methods exemption claim pending in the case. []

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Wortman said that the need for space in the Headquarters Building dictates serious consideration to closing the Rendezvous Room and converting it to space for foreign language training. He noted that the Rendezvous Room was running at a loss and under utilized. []

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